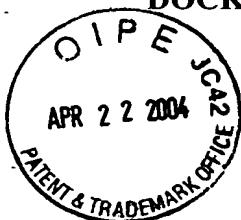


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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL PURSUANT
TO 37 CFR § 1.114**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

Previously submitted

Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on March 1, 2004. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on

Other:

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Amendment/Reply under 37 CFR § 1.116

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Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

Other:

2. Miscellaneous

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three (3) months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)

FEE CALCULATION:

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT				\$145	\$	\$290	\$
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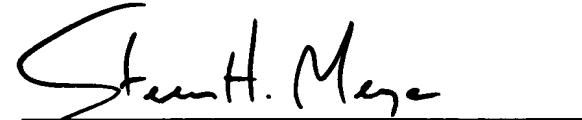
A Notice of Appeal was filed _____. An Appeal Brief is due on _____. Applicants are filing this Request for Continued Examination in lieu of this

Appeal Brief. Petition is hereby made to extend the time period from _____ to and through _____ comprising a total extension of _____ month(s).

- The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.
- The Commission is hereby authorized to charge payment of the above fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is attached in duplicate.

SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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